



PATENT ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 05032-00011

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re A	Applicat	ion of:	•	)		
	Erik L	Hoffman	)	Examiner: David C	. Comstock	
Serial	No.:	10/03	7,318	)	Art Unit: 3732	
Filed:		Nover	mber 7, 2001	)		
For:			ELEMENT FOR AN IMPLANT, LAR A HIP PROSTHESIS	)		
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			TRANSMITTAL LET	T	ER	TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700
Sir:						
	In rega	ırd to th	ne above identified application, we a	re 1	transmitting herewith	the attached:
	1.	Amen	dment and Response to Office Actio	n;		
	2. Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time; and					
	3.	Return	n postcard.			
With r	espect to	o additi	onal fees:			
		A.	No additional fee is required.			
	<u>X</u>	B.	An additional fee is required and ha	as l	been calculated as sho	own below:

CLAIMS AS A	MENDED					•	
(1)	(2) Claims Remaining After Amendment	(3)	(4) Highest No. Previously Paid For	(5) Present Extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee	
Total Claims	56	Minus	33	23	X \$9	= \$207.00	
Indep. Claims	5	Minus	3	2	X \$43	= \$86.00	
			Total Additiona	l Claims Fees		\$293.00	
Petition/Reques	for Extension of	Time	_2 months		\$210.00		
			Total Additiona Amendment	l Fees for this	\$503.00		

<sup>\*</sup> If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.

	C.	Attached is a check in the amount of \$
<u>X</u>	D.	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the total additional fees of \$503.00 to our Deposit Account No. 19-0733. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
	E.	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Petition fee of \$ to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: January 14, 2004

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<sup>\*\*</sup> If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Each multiple dependent claim should be counted as the number of claims from which it depends.



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In re Application of:

Erik Leonard Hoffman

Serial No.: 10/037,318

Filed:

November 7, 2001

Title: FASTENING ELEMENT FOR AN IMPLANT,

IN PARTICULAR, A HIP PROSTHESIS

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed August 14, 2003 (Paper No. 8). Kindly amend the above-referenced application as follows.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the claim listing, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.

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